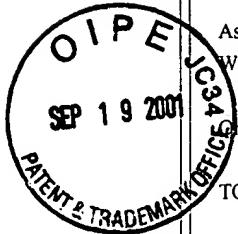


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By: Theresa VanDerHoef

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In re application of:

Nabkel et al.

Application No.: 09/785,863

Filed: February 16, 2001

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING PRESELECTED INFORMATION SERVICES UPON DETECTION OF AN OFF-HOOK CONDITION

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I, Chad S. Hilyard, am an attorney at Townsend and Townsend and Crew LLP, representing Qwest Communications International Inc. ("Qwest") in the above-referenced patent application. I have made diligent efforts to contact Mr. Edward A. Youngs, an inventor for the above-referenced case and previously an employee of Qwest.

On February 16, 2001, the above-referenced patent application was filed by Qwest with missing parts. On April 11, 2001, a Notice to File Missing Parts from the U.S. Patent Office was mailed to Qwest.

On May 16, 2001, I prepared the declaration and assignment documents for the above-referenced patent application and forwarded them to all the inventors (including Edward A. Youngs), along with the patent application as filed and a cover letter instructing them to review the application and execute the documents. A copy of the cover letter and Federal Express

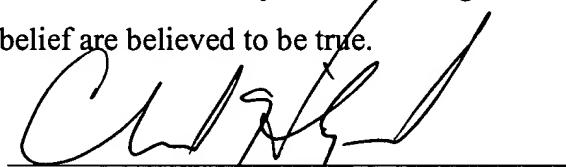
label receipt are attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. Such cover letter shows Mr. Youngs' last known address, which is 4791 Franklin Drive, Boulder, Colorado 80301.

On July 23, 2001, a paralegal, Theresa L. VanDerhoof, of Townsend and Townsend and Crew attempted to contact Mr. Youngs. Conducting a search on the Internet in an attempt to locate updated contact information, Ms. VanDerhoof was able to locate a telephone number for Mr. Youngs at his last known address. A copy of the printout from the Internet search is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**. Unfortunately, the telephone number located had been disconnected with no new telephone number given. A memo regarding her attempt to reach Mr. Youngs is attached as **Exhibit C**.

As a result of being unable to locate Mr. Youngs at his last known address and to obtain a forwarding address, Mr. Youngs has not signed the declaration and assignment documents.

The undersigned, being hereby warned that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the patent application or any patent resulting therefrom, declare that I am authorized to execute this instrument on behalf of applicants; all statements made of my own knowledge are true; and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.

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Dear Sirs and Madame:

Enclosed are the following corrected documents adding all inventors' names for your review and execution in the above-identified patent application:

- 1) Declaration;
- 2) Copy of patent application as filed; and
- 3) Assignment

Please review the patent application, as filed, and if it meets with your approval, please execute the Declaration. If you have any minor changes, please mark them on the appropriate pages and initial your change. Also, please execute the Assignment transferring rights to Qwest Communications International, Inc. I ask that you fill in the Date(s) of Execution of Declaration

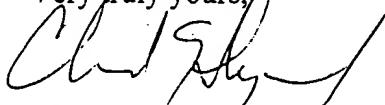
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on the first page. Please return these documents to me as soon as possible in order to avoid a request for extension of time and additional Government late filing fee.

If you have any questions or comments, please call me.

Very truly yours,



Chad S. Hilyard

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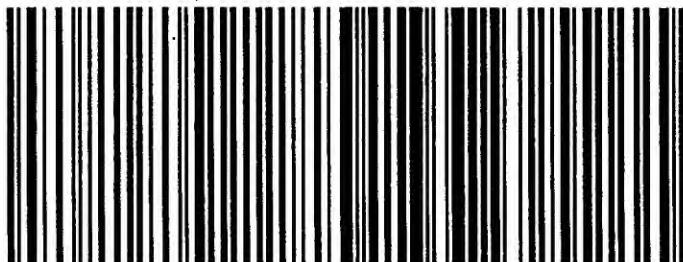
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Memorandum

To: File
From: Theresa L. VanDerhoof
Date: August 1, 2001
Re: Contacting Edward Youngs
Client-Matter No: 20366-066900US

On July 23, 2001, I attempted to get updated information for inventor Edward Youngs. I used the Qwest Dex website (www.qwestdex.com) to locate an address and telephone number for Edward Youngs. Unfortunately, the address listed on the website is no longer Mr. Youngs address. There is no current address information available for him. The website did list a telephone number in which I tried to call and received a message indicating the number had been disconnected with no new number listed.

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